

26. (New) The system of claim 8, further comprising:  
means for identifying each complication which the patient encountered during the surgery;  
storage means for storing the identified complications; and  
means for automatically determining a complication rate based on the identified complications.

27. (New) The system of claim 26, further comprising storage means for storing information about each surgery including at least one of surgeon information and surgery type information, and wherein the determined complication rate is further based on at least one of the surgeon information and the surgery type information.

28. (New) A system for tracking outcomes of surgeries on patients, comprising:  
display means for displaying all of the complications associated with each surgery;  
means for identifying the complications of a surgery encountered by a patient; and  
means for automatically determining a complication rate based on the identified complications.

29. (New) The system of claim 28, further comprising storage means for storing information about each surgery including at least one of surgeon information and surgery type information, and wherein the determined complication rate is further based on at least one of the surgeon information and the surgery type information.

30. (New) A method of tracking outcomes of surgeries, comprising:  
identifying the complications for a surgery encountered by a patient; and

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automatically determining a complication rate based on application of  
information including at least the identified complications.

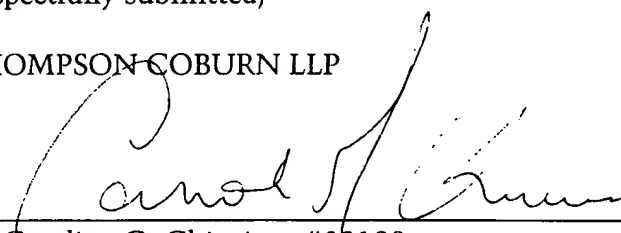
31. (New) The method of claim 30, further comprising storing information about  
each surgery including at least one of surgeon information and surgery type information and  
wherein the determined complication rate is further based on at least one of the surgeon  
information and the surgery type information.

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